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Chaitan KHOSLA, et al.

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Examiner: Padmashri Ponnaluri

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office action herein, mailed 17 April 2003, time for response to which was initially set to expire 17 May 2003. A petition for an extension of time of 5 months until 17 October 2003 is attached along with the required fee. Restriction was required among twenty-five groups. Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group XXI, claims 29-55 and 58. This election is made without traverse. A species election was also requested. Applicants elect the species wherein R^* is ethyl, R^1 - R^6 are methyl, X^1 is H, X^2 is =O, and X^3 and X^4 are OH, *i.e.*, 11-deoxy-6-dEB. This compound is claimed in U.S. patent 6,558,942. A terminal disclaimer with respect to this patent is enclosed.